

WASHINGTON CRITIC

SOCIAL CHIT-CHAT.

The authors, who have been reading for the Copyright League, were given a reception by President and Mrs. Cleveland last night. A company had been invited to meet the guests at 11 o'clock, and at that hour they assembled. The conservatories were thrown open and the whole lower suite of the Executive Mansion was lighted. The guests were received in the Blue Parlor, which was beautifully decorated with flowers.

A supper was served about midnight. That evening Mr. and Mrs. Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Clemens, Mr. and Mrs. Eggleston, Mr. and Mrs. Stockton, R. W. Gilder, Mr. E. C. Stedman, Mr. H. M. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Riley and Mrs. George Gray, Miss Florence Bayard, Secretary and Mrs. Whitney, Secretary Vilas and Miss Vilas, Mrs. and Mrs. Don Dickinson, Secretary and Mrs. Fairchild, General and Mrs. Shattuck, General and Mrs. Admiral Porter, Professor Gallaudet, Senator Mrs. and Miss Dawes, Senator and Mrs. Hawley.

The men had been entertained by Miss Loring, Miss Dodge, and Miss Sallie Loring assisting. Some of those presented to the literary lions were: Mrs. Senator Hearst, Mrs. Senator Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Senator Howard, Colonel and Mrs. Wilson, Miss Waller, Miss Lucy Corkhill, Mr. Genadius, the Greek Minister; Mrs. J. P. Jones, Mrs. Febiger, Miss Leslie Johnson, Countess Chomsky, Miss Waite, Mr. Conant Smith, Miss Anna Estes, Estes, Miss Clymer, the Misses Markey, Mrs. G. B. Loring, and Mr. L. Ward. This afternoon Mrs. Hawley gave a tea to meet Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Warner and Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Clemens.

AT THE THEATRES.

Petrolo.

"Madelon" at Albaugh's. The opera of "Madelon" was presented to a good house at Albaugh's last night by the New York Casino Company. The performance is bright and full, and charming stage pictures follow each other in rapid succession. Musically "Madelon" is pleasing but not striking. Mark Smith was the favorite of the evening with Isabella Brughara, Courtney Founds and the others. The vocalists received their share of attention from the audience.

Mr. Powers introduced many very clever bits of fun. The costuming of the opera is exceedingly rich, and the stage effects are elaborate and effective.

The showmen only lost a little in savings well, and works with the orchestra in a manner which evidences much careful training. Several very pretty novelties are introduced, which are grotesquely charming by the fact that the feet of the performers are encased in wooden shoes, and a corps of violinists composed of good-looking girls arrayed in handsome costumes, but have failed to satisfy two simple choral, while Miss Lucy Rivers, the leader of this striking band, plays the old favorite "Amyrlins" in a manner that surprises but delights the audience. "Madelon" will be repeated to-night.

National—"Held by the Enemy."

So long as we are endowed with memory, so long will stories of the war be popular. "Held by the Enemy," which was presented at the National last night before a good audience, is a story of the war, and it was received in a manner strongly indicative of the proof of the author's ability. The play, since its last appearance here, has greatly improved, the third act being new, and various changes for the better appearing all through it. Mr. Gillette, the author, as "Henry" has done his best, and the play will be well and done. Miss Minnie Du Pre's "Susan McCrory" was a bright little piece of comedy, and Miss Behren's "Rachel McCrory" was done with feeling and natural effect. William Haworth's "Farewell" was a picture of the hunted man. The other characters were taken with spirit, and their strong points generally well developed. All around, "Held by the Enemy" is a play with a growing power, and it will increase as each performance. Again to-night.

The Bijou—Hearts of Oak.

The patriotic interest in which "Hearts of Oak" abounds was warmly appreciated by a good house at the Bijou last night. "Hearts of Oak" is now in its seventh year, but is one of the most popular dramas on the stage. It was handsomely staged and the solo parts were well handled. Each member of the company gave satisfaction in the part which he portrayed, and the performance as a whole is one which cannot fail to bring a large attendance at each presentation.

Kernan's—Hill's Novelty Company.

Gill's—Novelty Company gave a good show to a good audience at the Bijou last night. His company is one of the best aggregations of variety talent now on the road, and every feature is new, original and peerless.

Old "Vets" Will Meet.

The Old Guard Union Veterans, give a social to-night at Grand Army Hall. Good music will be on hand.

The Sales of Cashmere Bouquet exceeded in amount the importations of all toilet soaps, as shown by the U. S. Treasury reports.

CITY NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

The Republican National League meets to-night.

The Bethel Literary meets to-night and an artistic programme is an announced.

The Metropolitan M. E. Church Lyceum gives a free entertainment to-night, presenting scenes from the life of Columbus.

The owners of lots in Whitney Close met yesterday and effected a permanent organization, Professor C. V. Riley being elected president.

About two o'clock Monday morning a two-story frame house belonging to Lucius Harrel in Hillside was totally destroyed by fire. Loss \$750. Supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

Yesterday morning the two-year-old child of Jerome Diggs while playing in the street in front of his father's residence in Anacostia was knocked down and run over by a team of black and white team, and his leg bone broken. No blame is attached to the driver.

Salvation Oil, the greatest cure on earth for pain, always gives relief at once. It will prove a valuable instrument if used as per directions. Twenty-five cents.

Good advice. If you have a friend with a cough or cold, tell him to try Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

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Fresh Alderman butter, churned every morning and delivered in 1 lb. "Ward" prints, 45c per lb. Also cottage cheese, buttermilk and sweet milk, 5c per qt. Cream, 15c per qt.

DIED.

KELLY.—On Sunday, the 18th instant, of paralysis, Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly, widow of Samuel Kelly, and daughter of the late John Bedford of this city, the 60th year of her age.

Funeral from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. W. H. Brock, 102 E. 26th street north-west, Wednesday morning, at 10 o'clock, from 1403 Third street northwest.

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